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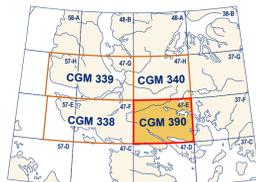
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**Abstract**

This new surficial geology map product represents the conversion of Map 2066A (Dyke, 2004) and its legend, using the Geological Survey of Canada's Surficial Data Model (SDM version 2.3.14) (Deblonde et al., 2018). All geoscience knowledge and information from Map 2066A that conformed to the SDM were maintained during the conversion process. The purpose of converting legacy map data to a common science language and common legend is to enable and facilitate the efficient digital compilation, interpretation, management, and dissemination of geological map information in a structured and consistent manner. This provides an effective knowledge-management tool designed around a geodatabase that can expand, following the type of information to appear on new surficial geology maps.

**Résumé**

Ce nouveau produit cartographique de la géologie des formations superficielles correspond à la conversion de la Carte 2066A (Dyke, 2004) et de sa légende, en se servant du Modèle de données pour les formations superficielles (MDFS version 2.3.14) de la Commission géologique du Canada (Deblonde et al., 2018). Toutes les connaissances et l'information de nature géoscientifique de la Carte 2066A qui sont en conformité avec le modèle de données ont été conservées pendant le processus de conversion. Le but de la conversion de cartes publiées antérieurement suivant un langage scientifique commun et une légende commune est de permettre et de faciliter la compilation, l'interprétation, la gestion et la diffusion efficaces de l'information géologique cartographique en mode numérique de façon structurée et cohérente. Cette façon de faire offre un outil efficace de gestion des connaissances élaboré à l'aide d'une géodatabase qui pourra évoluer suivant le type d'information à paraître sur les nouvelles cartes de la géologie des formations superficielles.

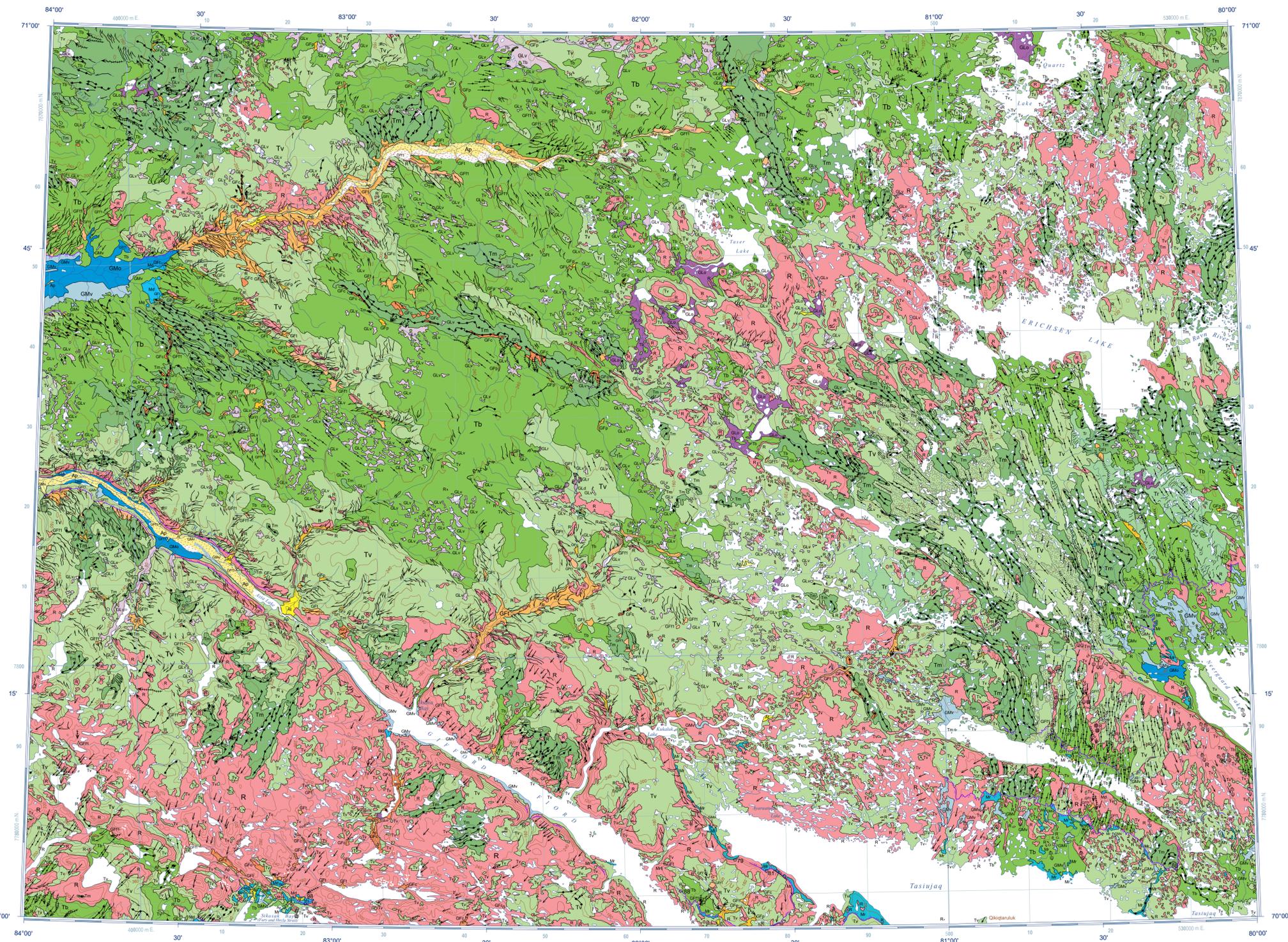


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**CANADIAN GEOSCIENCE MAP 390**  
**SURFICIAL GEOLOGY**  
**ERICHSEN LAKE**  
Baffin Island, Nunavut  
NTS 47-E  
1:250 000



**QUATERNARY**

**HOLOCENE**

- Ap** ALLUVIAL SEDIMENTS: alluvium, gravel, and sand; 2 to 20 m thick.
- Af** Floodplain sediments: gravel and sand; 2 to 20 m thick; active braided floodplains; includes active proglacial outwash.
- At** Fan sediments: gravel and sand; 2 to 20 m thick; forming fans.
- Mt** Terraced sediments: gravel and sand; 2 to 20 m thick; forming terraces.
- Mr** MARINE SEDIMENTS: gravel, sand, silt, and clay; 1 to 20 m thick; deposited in deltaic and beach environments during regression of the postglacial sea.
- Md** Beach sediments: gravel and sand; 1 to 5 m thick; forming ridges and swales.
- GMo** Deltaic sediments: clay, silt, sand, and gravel; 5 to 20 m thick; forming coarsening-upward sequences under dissected terraces.
- GMv** Offshore sediments: silt, clay silt, and fine sand with dropstones; 2 to 5 m thick; deposited in deep-water proglacial environments.
- GLr** Glaciomarine veneer: silt, clay silt, and fine sand with dropstones; 1 to 2 m thick; deposited in deep-water proglacial environments.
- GLd** GLACIOLACUSTRINE SEDIMENTS: clay, silt, sand, and gravel deposited in glacier-dammed lakes in deep-water, beach, and deltaic environments.
- GLo** Beach sediments: sand and gravel; 1 to 5 m thick; forming beach ridges.
- GLv** Deltaic sediments: clay, silt, sand, and gravel; 5 to 20 m thick; forming coarsening-upward sequences under dissected terraces.
- GLc** Offshore sediments: silt, clay silt, and fine sand with dropstones; 2 to 5 m thick; deposited in deep-water proglacial environments.
- GLV** Glaciolacustrine veneer: silt, clay silt, and fine sand with dropstones; 1 to 2 m thick; deposited in deep-water proglacial environments.
- GFp** GLACIOFLUVIAL SEDIMENTS: gravel and sand; 1 to 10 m thick; deposited behind, at, and in front of, the ice margin.
- GFt** Outwash plain sediments: gravel and sand; 1 to 10 m thick; forming proglacial terraces.
- GF1** Terraced sediments: gravel and sand; 1 to 10 m thick; forming proglacial terraces.
- GFc** Outwash fan sediments: gravel and sand; 1 to 10 m thick; forming proglacial fans.
- GF** Ice-contact sediments: gravel and sand; stratified; 1 to 10 m thick; forming kames.
- Es** Esker sediments: gravel and sand; stratified; 1 to 10 m thick; forming eskers.

**EARLY HOLOCENE AND WISCONSINAN**

- Tm** GLACIAL SEDIMENTS (TILL): nonsorted stony muds; 0.5 to 60 m thick; deposited in subglacial and ice-marginal environments; lithic composition generally reflects underlying bedrock.
- Tr** End moraine complex: diamiction; 5 to 60 m thick; composed of, or mantled by, till; end moraines are extensively kettled in places; large features are mainly cored by debris-rich relict glacier ice.
- Tv** Ridged moraine: diamiction; 2 to 10 m thick; till forming ribbed (Rogen) moraines.
- Tb** Till veneer: diamiction; 0.5 to 2 m thick; discontinuous.
- Td** Till blanket: diamiction; 2 to 10 m thick; forming an undulating blanket with drumlinoids and ribbed moraines in places.

**PRE-QUATERNARY**

- R** Bedrock, undifferentiated: rock of various compositions and ages (Jackson and Sangster, 1987); variously modified by glacial erosion during the Quaternary and with gneiss till cover; hilly and hummocky surfaces; ice moulded in places; with lake basins in subglacially scoured regions; smooth surfaces exhibit little or no sign of glacial erosion in peninsular interiors (Dyke, 1993); cliffs resulting from glacial overstepping; in places veneered by thin till, commonly bouldery.

**Geological contact:**

- Defined
- Inferred

**Escarpment**

- Limit of submergence: Marine, defined
- Glaciolacustrine, defined
- Glacial lake spillway, paleodrainage direction known
- Meltwater channel: Minor, subglacial and proglacial, paleoflow direction known
- Lateral, barb on upslope side
- Moraine ridge: Minor, ribbed
- Major, lateral
- Major, end
- Ice-contact scarp
- Esker, paleoflow direction known
- Drumlinoid, length not mapped to scale
- Crag-and-tail, length not mapped to scale
- Ice-moulded bedrock, ice-flow direction known, length mapped to scale
- Margin of dispersal train, teeth toward plume axis, steep side of teeth face down ice
- Station: Ice-flow direction unknown
- Ice-flow direction known
- Crossed striation, 1 = older, 2 = younger
- Station location, marine limit elevation (m)

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Base map at the scale of 1:250 000 from Natural Resources Canada, with modifications.  
Elevations in metres above mean sea level  
Proximity to the North Magnetic Pole causes the magnetic compass to be erratic in this area.  
Mean magnetic declination 2023, 25°29'W, decreasing 42.1' annually  
Readings vary from 27°53'W in the NE corner to 22°48'W in the SW corner of the map.

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